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SUBJECT: ISRAEL - ARAB STATES--THE MILITARY SITUATION

Israeli infantry troops raided six villages in southern Lebanon last night in retaliation for the guerrilla raid on Qiryat Shemona. The Israelis blew up houses allegedly used to harbor guerrillas. The incursions lasted about three hours and met with no resistance from the Lebanese Army. The raiding troops were instructed to avoid injuring the villagers. The Lebanese Defense Ministry stated that two civilians were killed and 13 abducted in the raids. An Israeli spokesman said the Israeli forces suffered no casualties.

Earlier yesterday, the Israelis used artillery fire to drive back a 10-man Syrian patrol on Mount Hermon as artillery, tank, and mortar fire continued along the entire battlefield for the 32nd consecutive day.

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